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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Jeffrey Wilusz et al. Examiner: D. Lambertson, Ph.D.
Application No.: 09/955,462 Group Art Unit: 1636
Confirmation No.: 7730 Docket: 1368-18-RCE
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For: **COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR REPRODUCING AND MODULATING
MAMMALIAN MESSENGER RNA DECAPPING**

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action issued March 8, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the March 8, 2004 Office Action was due June 8, 2004. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond. The fee for a one-month extension of time is FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$55.00), and a check for this amount is enclosed. With a one-month extension of time, a response is now due July 8, 2004. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.